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Dear Mrs Fisenhower-

It is with pleasure that we have learned from the Department of the Navy of your acceptance of the invitation to sponsor the first nuclear-powered submarine, the "Nautilus", and to christen her at the Electric Boat Division on January twenty-first of next year.

Your sponsorship of this vessel adds greatly to the significance of this historic occasion.

As the time of launching draws

near, we will want to learn more of your desires concerning various aspects of the ceremonies at Groton. To that end, we will keep in close touch with Commander Beach.

We all look forward with anticipation to having you with us on this occasion.

John Jay Hopkins

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